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WHY IS IT THIS?

A QUESTION WHICH EVERY MAN SHOULD ASK HIMSELF.

Why is it that at Funerals We Only Furnish the Corpse and the Hole in the Ground?

The late Henry W. Grady once wrote up the funeral of a Georgia man, and called attention to the fact that the coffin was made of Maine pine, the cloth was from Lowell looms, and the nails made of Pittsburg iron—all that Georgia furnished being the corpse and the hole in the ground.

Recently a monument in memory of the Confederate dead was unveiled in Greenville, Tenn., the shaft being made of Vermont marble notwithstanding Tennessee has an abundance of the finest marble in the world. Another case where the South only furnished the corpse(s) and the hole(s) in the ground.

A sermon could be preached from the above text, but we hesitate to attempt it, knowing that many will read only far enough to learn that it contains an appeal for patronage, and the fact that the appeal is made by a home concern will hasten rather than delay a consignment to the waste basket.

But we would remind our friends that this is a big question and is of far more importance to the people of Kingstree than whether they got free silver or the single gold standard, etc., etc.

No doubt most of our readers will quite agree with us theoretically, that it is time for our own people to show the world that we can furnish something better than mere corpses and holes in the ground, and that it is to our interest to patronize our home concerns. But are you consistent, and do you practice what you preach?

Do you, in the purchases you make in your own business, give preference to home establishments and send away for nothing that you can buy in your home market at a corresponding price?

Do you let "distance lend enchantment to the view," and jump at the conclusion that you can buy cheaper, say in Charleston or Columbia, without even getting the prices of a Kingstree house dealing in the same goods, or allowing them a chance to compete especially when they guarantee to meet prices?

Do you carefully read circulars sent you from Charleston but carelessly toss in the waste basket those sent you from Kingstree business men? And when you send an order to a home concern, do you do so with hearty good will, or with fear and trembling lest you should be sacrificing your pecuniary interest to your patriotism?

These are the questions we wish every business man to answer for himself—not through any duty he owes to us, but for the duty he owes to himself, his own people, and his own section. We do job painting. Send us your orders.

In the language of the poet: "Quoth the raven—nothing more."

Mr Sidney M. Brown of the Cedar Swamp section died last Tuesday morning and was buried near Cedar Swamp church, Rev. J. E. Dunlop officiating at the funeral services. Mr. Brown was born in the Boggy Swamp section in 1850 and was therefore in the 48 year of his age. He was married in 1873 to Miss Crawford Tisdale a daughter of Mr W. D. Tisdale, who with six children survives him. Mr Brown was at the time of his death a magistrate, and bore the reputation of being a fair, impartial officer. While Mr Brown had been sick for sometime, his death was very sudden.

The following cases will come up before the court for trial next week: Nathan Williams and Jno. Kirby, charged with aggravated assault and battery; Joe Flemming, burglary and larceny; Marion Kelly, assault and battery; Melton, malicious libel; Lyman Nelson, obtaining goods under false pretences; D. D. Shaw, disposing of property under lien; Hugh Evans and Bill Gardner, assault and battery.

Our esteemed contemporary, the Timmonsville Enterprise, throws out the following hint to its delinquent subscribers, which should cause some of them to call and pay up:

"Our rather small physical proportions do not prove conclusively that we can exist on the atmosphere and diet, and we have been married long enough to satisfactorily demonstrate that we would grow mighty thin to live upon love. Therefore we would draw attention to the fact that our latch string is always out to those who desire to pay their subscription. Farm produce taken."

JOHNSON'S CHILL AND FEVER TONIC

Cures Fever In One Day.

Mr. Rockefeller is to have a floral clock, the only one of its kind in the land, at his country place, but he will find he can miss trains by it just as easily as though it were an 85 cent nickel alarm.—Chicago News.

There will be a picnic at Kinder's Grove tomorrow (Friday), to which the public is invited. Bring your baskets.

LAKE CITY NEWS.

MATTERS OF INTEREST OCCURRING THERE

From Day to Day, Gathered and Put into Readable Shape by a Record Reporter.

Mr. C. M. Kelly gave your correspondent one of the largest radishes he ever saw the other day. It was 10 inches in circumference and 18 inches long.

Miss Hettie Wooten has been quite sick but is now improving.

Mrs. B. C. Whitehead, of Seranton, was in town a day or two ago.

Our good old friend, Mr. J. W. Nelson, principle of the Seranton High School, was in town last Saturday.

Quite a crowd of Lake Citizens attended the "Memorial" exercises in Kingstree last Monday. Several stayed over for the ball.

We heard a gentleman say the other day that any church-member who attended a dance should be turned out of the church. We would like to get the views of others on this important subject.

Hoyt, the 8-year-old son of Mr. J. P. Phillipps, died Monday night. The funeral occurred at the Baptist church the following afternoon. Oursympathy is extended to the bereaved parents.

Messrs. P. S. Wall and H. Nachman, of Seranton, were in Lake City the other day soliciting subscriptions for a telephone line between the two towns. About \$60 was raised.

Messrs. J. H. Early and G. G. Watson, of Darlington, spent last Tuesday in "The City of Flowing Wells." The former was selling tobacco flues; the latter tombstones.

Mr. W. H. McElveen brought your correspondent a tobacco leaf from his field Tuesday which measured 6 1/2 by 13 inches. Who can beat this for the season?

Misses Lizzie and Hattie Sanders, of Mars Bluff, were in town one day last week.

Let all attend our festival Friday night.

Hotel Arrivals.

The following is a list of the arrivals at the Coleman Hotel for the past week:

R. D. Rollins, J. Ausback, T. H. Sprinkle, S. McE. Scott, W. P. Anderson, Jas. A. Ferrell son, E. Ernest Gills, A. C. Ligon, W. R. Scott, G. T. Bullard, J. M. Rodgers, R. M. Srane, M. H. Pipkin, N. D. Lesesne, B. F. Jones, S. L. Davis, C. J. Lesesne, C. M. Nachman, M. A. Ross, E. C. Epps, Miss Florence Chandler, D. E. Gordon, Carl W. Hill, W. L. Clyde, S. B. Poston, S. Poston, J. W. Brown, S. D. M. Boyd, M. A. Thomas, H. N. Ackerman, Miss Georgie Rollins, Miss Mabel Rollins, Miss Ella Rollins, W. D. Bryan, L. E. Busket, H. V. Epps, E. T. McCutchen, B. W. Jones Jr., C. D. Cook, J. C. Josey, Winslow Wright & lady, R. C. Boulware, S. E. McCollough, B. B. Chandler, J. A. McGrhee, J. T. Agleton, D. H. Singletary, T. A. Blakley, E. H. Sauls, Julius Levy, R. T. Flieger, W. V. Nexsen, E. W. Miller, W. I. Nexsen, R. D. Oglesby, Jno. C. Lanham.

There will be given at Lake City in the tobacco warehouse, on Friday night, May 14th, an ice cream supper, for the benefit of the Lake City Baptist church. There will be served to those in attendance delicious refreshments. A phonograph, which will reproduce much charming music; the selling of ten wonderful dolls—dolls that can walk, laugh and talk,—and the leading a bicycle into its place by blindfolded young gentlemen and ladies (the successful couple to receive a nice cake), will be some of the attractive features of the occasion. Everybody is cordially invited to attend. adv

Johnson's Chill and Fever Tonic is a ONE-DAY Cure. It cures the most stubborn case of Fever in 24 Hours.

Have you seen the Columbian Encyclopedia? It is a "daisy."

WILSON VS. DINGLEY.

FORMER TARIFF MAKER EXPOSES ABSURDITIES OF THE DINGLEY BILL.

Says It Is "the Most Ultra Protective Tariff Ever Proposed"—Will Encourage Trusts and Discourage American Labor—Makes Some Serious Reflections Upon the McKinley Bill as a Revenue Producer.

Ex-Postmaster General William L. Wilson is credited with the authorship of the tariff bill now in force. His hands were tied so that he could not make the bill nearly as good as he desired to make it, and the bill as finally passed was not nearly as good as when it first passed the house. It was, however, a great improvement upon the McKinley bill and is a model as compared with the Dingley monstrosity. We quote the following from Mr. Wilson's criticism of the McKinley and Dingley bills in a recent number of the New York Herald:

These bills are so nearly identical in general structure and particular items, excepting as to the sugar schedule, that it may be well to consider the effect of the first bill on the revenue of the country. Both bills are vast and voluminous schemes of class taxation, the production of public revenue being an incident and entirely subordinate to the purpose of taxing all the American people for the benefit of a small part of the people.

The protectionist has but one remedy, which he applies whether the revenue be redundant or deficient. If times are prosperous and more money than is needed pours into the treasury, he increases taxes by a scheme that turns the larger part of their avails into private pockets, and this reduces public revenue. If times are depressed and less money than is needed pours into the treasury, he seizes the pretext of increasing public revenues by adding enormously to the amount of private exaction.

The act of 1890, whatever its other effects, did reduce revenue. From a large surplus it swept us headlong to a deficiency, although it weighted the people with heavier taxes and although another law, passed in July, 1890, turned into the treasury as a part of the general assets to be used for paying expenditures a trust fund of more than \$54,000,000 which belonged to the national banks and had always been held for the redemption of their notes.

Even before the Harrison administration ended we should have been confronted with a large deficiency but for the use of this trust fund and the further fact that Secretary Foster, by a change of bookkeeping, added to the treasury balance \$20,000,000 of token and subsidiary coin not before treated as a treasury asset. With these extraordinary additions, even, we wound up the fiscal year June 30, 1893, with a surplus of only \$2,341,674 as against a surplus for the fiscal year June 30, 1890, of over \$85,000,000 before the above trust fund and subsidiary coin were touched. And during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1894, through all of which the McKinley bill was in force, expenditures exceeded the revenues to the amount of \$69,803,280, notwithstanding the fact that the expenditures of the government were \$15,952,674 less than in the preceding year.

This statement shows how absurd and groundless is the claim constantly made by the protectionists that recent deficits in revenue are due to the substitution of the existing tariff for the McKinley bill. Nothing is more certain than that if the bill had been in force during the last three years the annual deficit would have been immensely swollen, while the people in a season of depression and hard times would have staggered under much heavier burdens of taxation. Even in this disastrous period, customs duties under the existing law have increased from less than \$132,000,000 in 1894, the last year of the McKinley bill, to even \$152,000,000 in 1895 and to over \$180,000,000 in 1896.

In the sugar schedule alone the balance in favor of the existing law is about \$55,000,000. The customs revenue reached nearly \$40,000,000, scarcely any of which would have been receivable under the McKinley bill.

That the Dingley bill, present conditions considered, is the most ultra protective tariff ever proposed to be enacted in this country plainly appears from Chairman Dingley's statement that if levied on the importations of the last fiscal year it would have increased the revenue \$112,000,000—that is to say, it would have gathered from an importation of \$775,724,264 of imported merchandise the enormous sum of \$272,000,000, which is nearly \$50,000,000 more than any customs revenue ever collected in one year in this country in the past. And to say that its rates will probably check dutiable imports to the extent of reducing the estimate to \$70,000,000 is only another way of saying that to that extent such rates are prohibitory.

American consumers are shut in the home market to be preyed upon by combinations and trusts without possibility of relief from outside competition. Such combinations, by joining to keep up prices and to curtail production, wage more merciless war against the employment, the opportunities and the compensation of American labor than any possible competition from abroad could do.

The falling off of importations under the present law dispels the illusion that the American laborer is anywhere deprived of employment by the importation of foreign products. The gratifying increase in our exports of manufactures is equally strong proof that the laws are helping us to enter and command new markets, which means not only larger employment for our artisans, but more home consumers for our farmers.

In the new tariff bill spunk is on the free list. We have our opinion of a man who is compelled to use imported "spunk."—Philadelphia Call.

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